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BOOK NOTES

Essais de synthèse scientifique. Par EUGENIO RIGNANO. Paris, Félix Alcan, 1912. 294 p. (Bibliothèque de philosophie contemporaine.)

The topics treated are the synthetic value of transformationism, the biologic and the energetic method, the doctrine of mnemonics, the affective tendencies, what is consciousness, religious materialism, socialism.

Reaction-time to retinal stimulation. By A. T. POFFENBERGER. New York, Science Press, 1912. 73 p. (Columbia Contributions to Philosophy and Psychology. Vol. XXI, No. 1.)

After a history of the inquiry into the speed of nerve conduction, the writer discusses its speed through nerve centers, the analysis of conduction paths, experiment on reaction time to stimulation of different retinal areas through time reactions and finally, synopsis time.

Vorschläge zur psychologischen Untersuchung primitiver Menschen. Von RICHARD THURNWALD and others. Leipzig, J. A. Barth, 1912. 124 p. (Beiheft 5, zur Zeit. f. ang. Psy.)

This publication consists of a number of articles by different people, color and space, sense, memory, apprehension, suggestibility, comprehension, counting, expressive movement, gesture and language, science and art, investigations of the mode of thought, sociology, world Anschauung. This ought to be a valuable vade mecum for the field ethnologist.

The question of association tests. By FREDERIC LYMAN WELLS. Reprinted from Psychological Review, July 1912, Vol. XIX, pp. 253-270.

This valuable monograph treats of questions of procedure, cancellation, number checking tests, addition and naming tests, formation of new associations, logical relations, the understanding of instructions, free association experiments, while the appendix has a list of 1,000 stimulus words for the latter.

Interference and adaptability. By ARTHUR JEROME CULLER. New York, Science Press, 1912. 56 p. (Archives of Philosophy, No. 24. Columbia Contributions to Philosophy and Psychology, Vol. 21, No. 2.)

The first chapter describes typewriting and discrimination reaction experiments; the next, card sorting. Then follow chapters headed individual differences, discussion and summary.

The imaginal reaction to poetry. By JUNE E. DOWNEY. Laramie, Wyoming, University of Wyoming, 1912. 56 p. (Bulletin No. 2, U. of Wyoming Department of Psychology.)

The author discusses first the characteristics of the different forms of imagery, then general characteristics of the imaginal reaction, inner speech, etc., while in the three other parts of her treatise, she treats

of the dependence of reaction upon material as seen in suggestion and style; the affective reaction, poetic fragments, with summary conclusions. She believes it possible to utilize method of style in determination of an author's type reactions and that vividness of imagery may be shown to contribute to the affective reactions to poetry.

Das Problem der objektiven Möglichkeit. Von AUGUST GALLINGER. Leipzig, J. A. Barth, 1912. 124 p. (Schriften der Gesell. f. psy. Forschung, Heft 16, iv Sammlung.)

The successive chapters here are concatenation of proof, positive and negative, the idea of cause, the ground of knowledge, cause and effect, the idea of objective possibility, empirical, regulative, concrete, abstract and hypothetical.

Ethics. By G. E. MOORE. New York, Henry Holt & Co., no date, 256 p. (No. 52, Home University Library of Modern Knowledge.)

The author treats of utilitarianism, the objectivity of moral judgments, the results of the test of right and wrong, free will, intrinsic value and concludes with notes on a few books.

Critique of impure reason. By FREDERIC LYMAN WELLS. Reprinted from Journal of Abnormal Psychology, June-July, 1912. 7 p.

Probleme der ethno-psychologischen Forschung. Von RICHARD THURN-WALD. Leipzig, J. A. Barth, 1912. 33 p. (Sonderabdruck aus Beihefte z. Zeits. f. ang. Psy., Heft 5.)

A theory explaining the neural basis of subjective consciousness and the pure ego. By J. J. SEELMAN. Milwaukee, George Seelman & Sons Co., 1912. 31 p.

Lectures on moral philosophy. By JOHN WITHERSPOON. Princeton University Press, N. J., 1912. 144 p. (Early American Philosophers.)

Association tests. By R. S. WOODWORTH and F. L. WELLS. Psychological Review Company, Princeton, N. J., 1912. 85 p. (Psychological Review Monograph, Vol. 13, No. 5, December, 1911.)

A note on the prognostic value of hallucinations in the manic-depressive psychosis. By EDMUND M. PEASE. Reprinted from American Journal of Insanity, Vol. 69, No. 1. July, 1912. pp. 119-123.

Spiritual surgery. By OLIVER HUCKEL. New York, Thomas Y. Crowell, 1912. 109 p.

Constructive eugenics. By WILLET M. HAYS. Washington, 1912. 13 p. (Reprinted from American Breeders Magazine, Nos. 1 and 2, Vol. 3.)

Die Bedeutung der Motilitätsprüfungen für objectiv-neuropsychische Studien. Von W. BECHTEREW. 1910. 40 p. (Sonderabdruck aus Folia Neurobiologica, Bd. 10.)

Mortality statistics, 1908. Washington, 1910. 705 p.

Mortality statistics, 1909. Washington, 1912. 810 p.

Studies in linguistic psychology. By ROBERT JAMES KELLOGG. Linguistic Psychology Series of the James Milliken University Bulletin, June, 1912. Vol. 1, No. 2. Published by the University at Decatur, Ill. pp. 65-128.

Das Problem der Willensfreiheit. Von G. F. LIPPS. Leipzig, B. G. Teubner, 1912. 104 p. (Aus Natur und Geisteswelt.)

The measurement of induction shocks. A manual for the quantitative use of faradic stimuli. By ERNEST G. MARTIN. New York, John Wiley & Sons, 1912. 117 p.

Følelsesbetoningens. Intellektuelle Egenvaerdi. (Er der nogen grund til en dualisme mellem erkjendende og følelse?) By T. PARR. Kristiania, Olaf Norlis Forlag, 1912. 95 p.

English witchcraft and James the First. By GEORGE LYMAN KITTREDGE. New York, The Macmillan Co., 1912. 65 p. (From studies in the history of religions presented to Crawford Howell Toy by pupils, colleagues and others.)

Bulletin' 74. Government Hospital for the Insane, Washington, D. C. Edited by William A. White, M. D. Washington, Government Printing Office, 1912. 94 p.

A dictionary of the Biloxi and Ofo languages. By JAMES OWEN DORSEY and JOHN R. SWANTON. Washington, Government Printing Office, 1912. 340 p. (Smithsonian Institution Bureau of American Ethnology, Bull. 47.)

Boletín de la Sociedad Española de Biología. Año 11, Núm. 15, Agosto, 1912. Madrid, 1912.

On the determination of alkylamines obtained from urine after kjeldahl digestion. By C. C. ERDMANN. From the Journal of Biological Chemistry, Vol. 9, No. 2, April, 1911. pp. 85-92. (From the Chemical Laboratory of the McLean Hospital, Waverly, Mass.)

Following darkness. By FORREST REID. London, Edwin Arnold, 1912. 320 p.

Psychoanalysis, its theories and practical application. By A. A. BRILL. Philadelphia, W. B. Saunders Co., 1912. pp. 337.

This book certainly supplies in its way a long-felt need, for we have no attempt to state concisely the principles of the Freud psychology in English. The chief chapters are psychoneuroses, dreams, obsessions, doubts, phobias, psychoanalysis, mechanism of paranoia; the psychopathology of everyday life, hysterical fancies and dreamy states, the Oedipus complex, the only or favorite child in adult life, anal eroticism and character, Freud's theory of wit. In a work of this size the author cannot, of course, go much into detail, and the work is on the whole essentially elementary and introductory. Some may think that the author has been too prone to use cases from his own experience as illustrative material, and sometimes to the exclusion of the better

material which Freud supplies, but in answer to this it can be said that a physician of experience can speak more vividly of his own, that it is natural for one who has done much translation to show a little independence, which the author's merit certainly justifies, and finally that the Brill cases are good in themselves and well selected. The intelligent reader cannot but regret, however, that more space was not given to the extremely important and suggestive departures of Jung, who seems to be breaking away from the master and evolving a set of views of his own, with which, however, Brill seems to have no great sympathy. The author is a practising physician, and readers of this journal will wish that he had given a little more attention to the psychological aspects of the subject, which just now seem to be looming up far beyond the ken of Freudians. This, however, must not detract from the great merit and serviceability of this most timely and welcome book.

Correlations of mental abilities. By BENJAMIN R. SIMPSON. Teachers College, Columbia University, Contributions to Education, No. 53. New York City, Teachers College, 1912. pp. 122.

After describing the general methods of investigation, the author describes the administration of the tests in detail, their order, instructions given in each variety and individual differences in the power to interpret; then comes the scoring of results, reliability, significance of tests, and analysis of general intelligence as shown by the difference between the good and the poor groups. Especially interesting are the tests of memory, association, apperception, motor control, test in selective thinking. Best is the comparison of these results with those obtained by other investigators.

The dynamic foundation of knowledge. By ALEXANDER PHILIP. London, Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner & Co. Ltd., 1913. pp. 318.

Among the 38 chapters which constitute this book, which aims to present a new dynamical theory of matter, which owes something to the late J. B. Stallo, the author discusses the sensible world, the affirmative judgment, necessary postulates, activity, origins of metaphysics, realism, potential and actual, middle ages, terms of nature, sensationalism and intellectualism, defects of idealism and realism, nature of knowledge, cause, reason, materiality, necessity, energy, space, matter, axioms, science and reality, nature and art, ethics, science of language, meanings, unity of knowledge, opinion, general and singular, finally the applications of his dynamic theory to economics, education, and metrical standards.

Die Realisierung; ein Beitrag zur Grundlegung der Realwissenschaften. Von OSWALD KÜLPE. Erster Band. Leipzig, S. Hirzel, 1912. pp. 257.

This book constitutes an important pronouncement of its author although it is only the first volume. In it he first discusses the permissibility of general realization, under which he treats the proof of sensualism, the logical difficulties of transcendence, the actual presentation of objects in consciousness; and in a second chapter he considers the proving of objective idealism. When the author has printed his work completely we hope for a fuller review.

Ästhetik der Gegenwart. Von E. MEUMANN. 2d ed. Leipzig, Quelle & Meyer, 1912. pp. 180.

The author gives an historical basis and then describes the foundations of empirical aesthetics by Fechner, whose influence he traces through another chapter. He then traces the chief direction in which the problems of present-day aesthetics have developed, defines the domain of research, the psychology of aesthetic recreation and enjoyment, the aesthetic aspect of art and of nature. A good compend with atrocious print.

Über den Willensakt und das Temperament; eine experimentelle Untersuchung. Von NARZISS ACH. Leipzig, Quelle & Meyer, 1910. pp. 324.

After an introduction in which the author treats of the object of his experiment and its limitations, describing systematic experimental self-observation in its relations to investigations of the will, the second chapter treats of his combined process and its application, the technical apparatus, the experiment, its results and the various persons taking part in the experiment. Then come the phenomenological results for the different series and results. The third chapter is devoted to the inferences from the data thus acquired concerning the act of will itself, and then the deed it does, results and applications, errors, variations, the abbreviated, weak and trained will. Chapter four is devoted to feeling and temperament.

Umriss einer neuen analytischen Psychologie und ihr Verhältnis zur empirischen Psychologie. Von WALTHER SCHMIED-KOWARZIK. Leipzig, Johann Ambrosius Barth, 1912. pp. 318.

In the first part the author discusses the essence of analysis, the empirical and analytic type of knowledge and psychology. The second part is entitled psychological systematics and treats of consciousness as a whole (the ego and the now), historical systems of the content of consciousness, various kinds of content and their divisions, and then takes up the three kinds of content which the author calls sensation, feeling and *Strebung*.

Zur Analyse der Vorstellungen und ihrer Gesetze; eine experimentelle Untersuchung. Von K. KOFFKA. Leipzig, Quelle & Meyer, 1912. pp. 392.

After characterizing the difference of the idea of description and function and the problem and methods, he gives a series of experimental tests in qualitative and quantitative analysis, also completion tests with optical stimuli, with restricted reproduction, and then passes to *Vorstellungen*, visual, acoustic, etc., and finally discusses determination, association, latent *Einstellung*, associative factors, the understanding of words, etc., on the basis of his experiments.

Experimental studies of mental defectives; a critique of the Binet-Simon tests and a contribution to the psychology of epilepsy. By J. E. WALLACE WALLIN. Baltimore, Warwick & York, 1912. pp. 155.

The more we discover of the psychology of the epileptic, the more successful will be our educational methods. The results of this book, says Whipple in his introduction, have added to our knowledge of the Binet-Simon tests. This work shows that these are far from being

simple. Moreover they have many imperfections and limitations, so that this monograph makes a valuable contribution to the critique of the tests. They were made in the New Jersey State Village for Epileptics at Skillman. The author treats at length of the variations in mental and physical tests in relation to age and gives a practical guide for the administration of the scale in measuring intelligence. He has limited himself to a purely experimental and empirical exposition, assuming that the facts tell their own story and leaving the reader to work out their amplifications as well as to draw his own conclusions from the facts supplied.

Poètes et névrosés. Par ARVÈDE BARINE. Paris, Hachette et Cie, 1908. pp. 362. 2nd edition.

This interesting book consists of a critico-psychological analysis of the works of four writers, Hoffmann, Quincey, Edgar Poe, G. de Nerval, all of whom are believed to be neurotic. The author seeks by careful study first of their life, then of their works, to define the direction and extent of their alienation and also to consider whether and if so, what, it contributed to their literary success.

L'Année Psychologique. Paris, Masson et Cie, 1912. 18th volume. pp. 525.

This number is marked by a memoir and picture of the late A. Binet. It also contains a number of articles from his pen. The volume is larger than usual and possibly more interesting.

Autokinetic sensations. By HENRY FOSTER ADAMS. Psychological Review Publication, July 1912. pp. 45.

His experimental results touch the following subjects: white light one cm. square, comparison of square and perpendicular lights, horizontal and oblique lights, McAllister's figures, the effect of size of light, monocular and binocular vision, voluntary control, suggestion, effect of light background, explanation, historical review, bibliography.

Selected papers on hysteria and other psychoneuroses. By SIGMUND FREUD. Authorized translation by A. A. Brill. Second, enlarged edition. New York, The Jour. of Nervous and Mental Disease Pub. Co., 1912., pp. 215.

The chief papers here translated are the psychic mechanism of hysterical phenomena, the cases of Lucy R. and Elizabeth v. R., the psychotherapy of hysteria, the defense neuro-psychoses, the rôle of sexuality, "wild" psychoanalysis, hysterical fancies and bisexuality.

Einführung in die Psychologie. Von ADOLPH DYROFF. 2d ed. Leipzig, Quelle & Meyer, 1912. pp. 144.

This booklet begins with the problems and aids, then treats psychic life in general, sense life, the life of concept, thought and speech, feeling and instinct, will and freedom, attention and apperception. There are no cuts, the print is fine and abominable, the literature at the end of each chapter copious and well-selected.

Questions of the day in philosophy and psychology. By HERBERT LESLIE STEWART. New York, Longmans, Green, & Co., n. d. pp. 284.

The author treats reforms in psychology, the sub-conscious, interpretation of genius, growth of public opinion, pragmatism, recidivism, pessimism, value of judgment, the cult of Nietzsche.

Über das Studium der Individualität. Von A. LASURSKI. Pädagogische Monographien, hrsg. v. E. Meumann, XIV. Band. Lpz., Nemnich, 1912. pp. 191.

This covers much the same ground as Stern's Differential Psychology. It begins by considering the idea of inclination or *Neigung* and then treats the neuropsychic organization and what are the essential bases of characterology, and how its various analyses are made, and concludes by defining the relations between individual and general psychology.

Problems in eugenics. Papers communicated to the First International Eugenics Congress, held at the University of London, July 24th to 30th, 1912. London, Published by the Eugenics Education Society (6, York Buildings, Adelphi, W. C.), 1912. pp. 490.

The papers here printed are classified as follows: 8 under biology and eugenics; 5, practical eugenics; 2 under education and eugenics. The largest divisions are sociology and eugenics, with 9 papers, and medicine and eugenics with 8.

L'Année Pédagogique, publiée par L. CELLÉRIER et L. DUGAS. First year, 1911. Paris, Félix Alcan, 1912. pp. 487.

The articles are on School and Life, by E. Boutroux; Ideal and Education, by Cellérier; Sympathy in Education, by L. Dugas; Psychological Study of the Methods of Teaching, by L. Cellérier; Primary Teaching, by X; and a bibliography for 1911.

Les maladies de l'énergie: les asthénies générales, épuisements—insuffisances—inhibitions—clinique—thérapeutique. Par ALBERT DESCHAMPS. Paris, Alcan, 1909. pp. 496.

This work treats pathological defects of vigor; the first part is clinical and treats of the sources of energy, definition, etiology, symptomatology, thermic symptoms as distinct from chemical and chemico-physical, symptoms of sleep, varieties of aesthesia, pathogeny. The second part deals with therapeutics, general ideas, rest, isolation, aërotherapy, alimentation, blood pressure, remineralization, medication, etc.

Geschichte der Psychiatrie. Von TH. KIRCHHOFF. *Allgemeine Therapie der Psychosen.* Von A. GROß. Leipzig, Franz Deuticke, 1912. pp. 208. (Handbuch der Psychiatrie, hrsg. von G. Aschaffenburg. Allgemeiner Teil. 4. Abteilung.)

The historical part includes only 48 pages. In the second part the more interesting topics treated are prophylaxis and psychotherapy. In one subdivision of the latter subject its relations to religion and philosophy are treated, particularly determinism and responsibility. The author is a great believer in the therapy of occupation.

The influence of caffeine on mental and motor efficiency. By H. L. HOLLINGWORTH. New York, The Science Press, 1912. pp. 166. Archives of Psychology, ed. by R. S. Woodworth. No. 22, April, 1912. Columbia Contributions to Phil. and Psychol., Vol. XX, No. 4.

Perhaps the best result of this interesting series of experiments is the complete absence of any trace of secondary depression or of sensory reaction consequent upon the stimulation, this result being of course quite in contrast with the secondary reactions believed to follow the use of such a drug as strychnine.

The history and status of psychology in the United States. By CHRISTIAN A. RUCKMICH. Reprinted from the American Journal of Psychology, October, 1912, Vol. XXIII, pp. 517-531.

Plant response as a means of physiological investigation. By JAGADIS CHUNDER BOSE. New York, Longmans, Green & Co., 1906. pp. 781.

Die Deizbewegungen der Pflanzen. Von E. G. PRINGSHEIM. Berlin, Julius Springer, 1912. pp. 326.

Race Improvement. By LA REINE HELEN BAKER. New York, Dodd, Mead & Co., 1912. pp. 137.

Die Projektionsmethode und die Lokalisation visueller und anderer Vorstellungsbilder. Von LILLIEN J. MARTIN. Leipzig, J. A. Barth, 1912. pp. 231.

Berkeley. Versuch einer neuen Theorie der Gesichtswahrnehmung und Die Theorie der Gesichtswahrnehmung verteidigt und erläutert. Tr. by Raymund Schmidt. Ed. by Paul Barth. Leipzig, Verlag von Felix Meiner, 1912. pp. 152.

Über die Tonmalerei. Von PAUL MIES. Sonderabdruck aus "Zeitschrift für Ästhetik und allgemeine Kunstwissenschaft," hrsg. von Max Dessoir, VII. Band, 4. Heft. Stuttgart, Ferdinand Enke. pp. 578-816.

Über die Tonmalerei. Von PAUL MIES. Inaugural-Dissertation zur Erlangung der Doktorwürde, Bonn, 1912. Stuttgart, Druck der Union Deutsche Verlagsgesellschaft, 1912. pp. 55.

Über eine Unruheerscheinung: die Halluzination des Anrufes mit dem eigenen Namen (ohne und mit Beachtungswahn). Von MAX LÖWY. Separatabdruck aus den "Jahrbüchern für Psychiatrie und Neurologie," XXXIII. Band. Leipzig, Franz Deuticke, 1911. pp. 131.

Grundlagen einer organischen Weltanschauung. Von M. KREWER. Berlin, Leonhard Simion Nf., 1912. pp. 73.

New phrenology. By SHEPHERD IVORY FRANZ. Reprinted from Science, N. S. Vol. XXXV., No. 896, pp. 321-328, March 1, 1912.

Zur Kasuistik der Brunnenkrise (des Brunnendusels, des Brunnen und Baderaushes). Von MAX LÖWY. Sonderabdruck aus der Zeitschrift für Balneologie, Klimatologie und Kurort-Hygiene, IV. Jahrgang, n. 12. Berlin SW 48, Allgemeine Medizinische Verlagsanstalt. 1911-1912. pp. 7.

The function of the vibrissae in the behavior of the white rat. By STELLA BURNHAM VINCENT. Behavior Monographs, v. I, no. 5, 1912. Cambridge, Mass., Henry Holt & Co. pp. 81.

Zur Kasuistik seltener "dyshumoraler" (innersekretorischer) Störungen. Von MAX LÖWY. Sonderabdruck aus der "Prager Mediz. Wochenschrift," XXXVI., Nr. 34-37, 1911. pp. 37.

Experimental oral euthenics: an attempt objectively to measure the relation between community mouth hygiene and the intellectual efficiency and educational progress of elementary school children. By J. E. WALLACE WALLIN. Reprinted from the Dental Cosmos, issues for April and May, 1912. pp. 32.

Eight months of psycho-clinical research at the New Jersey State Village for Epileptics, with some results from the Binet-Simon testing. By J. E. WALLACE WALLIN. Sonderabdruck aus der Zeitschrift, "Epilepsia," Vol. III. Leipzig, Johann Ambrosius Barth, pp. 366-380.

The present status of the Binet-Simon graded tests of intelligence. By J. E. WALLACE WALLIN. Reprint from the Alienist and Neurologist, Vol. 33, No. 2, May, 1912, St. Louis. pp. 14.

Southern Medical Journal. (Journal of the Southern Medical Association.) December, 1912. Vol. V., No. 11. Southern Medical Journal, Suite 905 Van Antwerp Bldg., Mobile, Ala. pp. 732-806.

Psychologie und Erziehung: Ansprachen an Lehrer. Von WILLIAM JAMES. Aus dem Englischen von Dr. Friedrich Kiesow. 3d ed. Leipzig, Wilhelm Engelmann, 1912. pp. 134.

Die Situation auf dem psychologischen Arbeitsfeld. Von REINHOLD GEIJER. Berlin, Leonhard Simion Nf., 1912. pp. 90.

Archiv für systematische Philosophie, hrsg. von LUDWIG STEIN. Neue Folge der Philosophischen Monatshefte, XVIII. Band. Heft. 4. Nov. 15, 1912. Berlin, Leonhard Simion Nf., 1912. pp. 367-488.

Myxödem und Kretinismus. Von J. WAGNER v. JAUREGG. Lpz., Deuticke, 1912. pp. 91. (Handbuch der Psychiatrie, hrsg. von G. Aschaffenburg. Spezieller Teil, 2. Abteilung, 1. Hälfte.)